

AB 2312  
Environmental Justice Small Grant Fund

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THE BILL

AB 2312 will, through small environmental justice grants, invest in low-income and minority communities working to provide meaningful involvement with respect to the developmental implementation and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations and policies.

COMMUNITIES LIVING WITH POLLUTION

Low-income and minority communities, which are disproportionately exposed to environmental health hazards, do not have the resources to participate in decision-making about the environment of their communities. Grants to local community groups will help address this inequity and allow low-income and minority communities to have their voices heard and their concerns about the environment addressed by government agencies and industries affecting their communities.

Community groups that are working on local solutions to local environmental problems will be eligible for these grants. The projects the grants could fund would 1) address, environmental public health hazards, 2) inform communities about environmental justice, and 3) facilitate participation in the decision-making process.

Low income and minority groups will be able to use these grants to inform their communities about the health hazards that pollution presents to their families and children. The grants will be used by organizations that are working on local solutions to environmental problems. These community groups can use their existing networks as resources to reach out to disenfranchised communities. AB 2312 will empower communities to participate in protecting their health from environmental pollution.

If you support this legislation please send letters to:

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